GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
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REHABILITATION OF HANDLOOM SECTOR .
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to announce any package or scheme for rehabilitation of handloom sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of States where such package/scheme is likely to be announced;

(d) the details of funds allocated under the scheme and the source for the mobilization;

(e) whether uninterrupted supply of input materials, marketing facilities, protection from predatory competition, technological upgradation and subsidy would be made as statutory obligation for the growth of this sector; and

(f) if so, details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a)to(f) : The Government is implementing a number of developmental schemes to enhance production, productivity and efficiency of the handloom sector and to enhance the income and socio-economic status of the weavers by upgrading their skills and providing infrastructural input and marketing support. The important developmental schemes are Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana, Integrated Handloom Training Project, Marketing Promotion Programme, Mill Gate Price Scheme, Workshed-cum-Housing Scheme, Weavers' Welfare Scheme and Handloom Export Scheme. Further more, new schemes of Integrated Handloom Cluster Development, Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Yojana and Health Insurance Scheme have been launched in the year 2005-06. During the current financial year i.e. 2006-07, a sum of Rs.185.00 crore has been allocated to Handloom Sector under the Plan Scheme.
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